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Salt Lake City's extraordinary performance during the 2002 Olympic Winter Games made Utah a "gold medal" destination. Here are our top stories:

2002 SUMMER CELEBRATION: 20.02% DISCOUNTS STATEWIDE

- Guests who visit Utah during the 2002 summer and fall months and stay a minimum of two nights at a participating lodging property will receive **20.02% off the property's standard rack rates**.
- Upon check-in, guests will receive a travel pass offering **20.02% discounts at participating businesses** throughout Utah.
- Participating providers include **hotels**, **restaurants**, **recreation and amusement venues**, **transportation companies**, **retail outlets**, and more.
- Go to www.utah.com/2002/ for a list of current participants

NOW YOU'LL REALLY SEE STARS!

Opening late 2002 (actual date tbd)...the totally re-invented, 40,000-square-foot **Clark Planetarium**. Formerly called the Hansen Planetarium, this new intergalactic destination will thrust Salt Lake City's star power deep into the 21st century with (1) the first full-dome, fully-digital video Star Theater in the US and (2) Utah's first 3-Dimension IMAX® Theater. The facility will relocate from its venerable city center location to Salt Lake's new Gateway shopping-entertainment-dining complex.

The Star Theater features **Evans & Sutherland's Digistar® 3 Projection System...** built by **one of Utah's leading high-tech companies** (www.es.com). **At 70 feet wide and 5 stories high**, the **IMAX Theater** will be a **totally immersive experience** (what you see on the screen will *feel* like it's in your face). This technological tour de force will precede other planetarium upgrades in the U.S for at least 1½ years. Go into orbit at www.hansenplanetarium.org (new site going on-line late summer) or contact Claudia Nakano at cnakano@co.slc.ut.us or TEL 801.531.4970.

MORE SALT LAKE CITY NEWS...

Watch for changes on the Salt Lake City downtown skyline...the **new Salt Lake City Main Library**, now under construction, opens January, 2003. For a preview, check out **http://cac.mcgill.ca/safdie/**. Click on "Site Search", key in Salt Lake City Main Library, then click on Salt Lake City Main Library. Located across the street from City Hall, the new library will dominate an entire city block.

Truly an urban oasis, **Salt Lake City's City Creek Canyon** is an amazing walking & biking destination for just about anyone seeking woodsy solitude minutes from city center. The "City" end of the Canyon (Memory Grove) was destroyed by a tornado in '99. **A totally-reconstructed Memory Grove...new landscaping & walkways...opens in July this summer**.

- New Gateway shopping-entertainment-dining complex
 - www.shopthegateway.com
 - o Restored 1908 Union Pacific Depot featuring French Renaissance architecture
 - o Computer-controlled "dancing waters" Olympic fountain...a real "kid-soaker"
 - o New home of new Clark Planetarium (see separate story on Page 1)
 - o Olympic Legacy Plaza
- New Utah Museum of Fine Arts at the University of Utah www.utah.edu/umfa
- Chase Home Museum of Folk Arts www.folkartsmuseum.org
 - o The only state museum of its kind in the country
 - o Traditional art & artists from Utah's ethnic, native, occupational and rural communities
- **Historic Temple Square**, Salt Lake City's top attraction www.ldschurch.org
 - o New plaza & reflecting pool
 - o Mormon Tabernacle Choir performances Sunday mornings
 - o Mormon Tabernacle Choir rehearsals Thursday evenings
 - o Free Tabernacle organ recitals
 - 12 noon Mon-Sat (winter), 12 & 2 pm (summer), 2 pm Sundays
- A **vibrant downtown cultural scene** (partial list)
 - Utah Symphony
 Utah Opera Company
 Ballet West
 www.utahsymphony.org
 www.utahopera.org
 www.balletwest.org
 - O Utah Arts Festival www.uaf.org
 - O Theater companies...Pioneer Memorial Theater, Salt Lake Acting Company & more
- A **vibrant downtown club scene**...www.utah.citysearch.com (partial list)
 - Port O'Call, Club Splash, Axis, Twilight Lounge, Manhattan Club, Cabana Club, Dead Goat Saloon, Zephyr Club

- A **vibrant dining scene**...www.utah.citysearch.com (partial list)

Log Haven
 Lugano
 Bambara
 New Yorker
 Rustic lodge style - nouvelle American cuisine
 Friendly "locals favorite", Rustic Italian cuisine
 Big city splendor, Nouvelle American cuisine
 Business lunch & upscale dinner, American cuisine

o Metropolitan Pricey & chic, nouvelle American cuisine

o Martine Quiet, subdued & classy, European / American cuisine

o L'Avenue Bistro Classic French bistro & menu

o Trio Neighborhood style...fresh, simple northern Italian

o Grand America High Tea every afternoon

Salt Lake Roasting Co.
 Old-fashioned bohemian coffee house
 Red Rock Brewing Co.
 "Best U.S. brewpub" award in 2000

At The Gateway (partial list)...

Fleming's Steakhouse, California Pizza Kitchen, Z'Tejas, Happy Sumo

- Cheer for the **home sports teams...**

Utah Jazz NBA Basketball www.nba.com/jazz
 Utah Starzz WNBA Basketball www.wnba.com/starzz
 Salt Lake Stingers AAA Baseball www.stingersbaseball.com
 Utah Grizzlies IHL Hockey www.utahgrizz.com

- I-15 rebuilt. Test drive our state-of-the-art Interstate Highway
 - o www.dot.state.ut.us

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- New TRAX Light Rail joins city, suburbs & University of Utah
 - o www.utabus.com/trax

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- **Direct, non-stop JFK SLC flights** on JetBlue Airways www.jetblue.com
- Major downtown **Salt Lake City hotels have undergone extensive renovations** over the past 18-24 months. The city's lodging capacity now exceeds 17,500 rooms. Newest luxury properties include...
 - Grand America Hotel Designed as a European "boutique" hotel on an American scale, the Grand features chandeliers from Murano and Milan, French cherry-wood furniture, English wool carpets, Italian marble bathrooms, high-speed Internet connections, concierge guestroom floors and lounge. www.grandamerica.com
 - Salt Lake City Marriott City Center 359 rooms including 16 suites, 2 dedicated private concierge floors, 15,000 square feet of conference space. www.marriott.com/slccc

AROUND THE STATE...

Falcon's Ledge Lodge Named Orvis-Endorsed Lodge of the Year for 2002 Selection criteria for Lodge of the Year include customer satisfaction reports, guide training and skill, food & facility quality and the advancement of the sport of fly fishing.

The Orvis Endorsed Fly Fishing Program started in 1983. Today, just 45 lodges are enrolled in the program in the U.S. www.falconsledge.com, www.orvis.com

Located about 2 hours east of Salt Lake City on the south slope of the Uinta Mountains, Falcon's Ledge Lodge is surrounded by the High Uintas Wilderness Area and the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation. The Lodge is a flyfishing, wingshooting, falconry and pheasant hunting destination. Like so many other Utah destinations, it offers *escape*, *relaxation and rejuvenation*—the classic trio of intended results from a Utah vacation.

Guided flyfishing tours go to the Provo, Green, Yellowstone, Strawberry, Duchesne and Rock Creek Rivers. **Wingshooting vacations** (pheasant and chukar are in season September – March) include guide dogs and guides. During the **falconry season** (September – February), Lodge falconry experts head out with peregrines, Prairie falcons and red-tailed hawks. Once the guide dogs are on point, the falconry expert unhoods the bird, which then soars over its domain.

Boulder Mountain Lodge Recognized as an Ecolodge

Boulder Mountain Lodge (www.boulder-utah.com), a 27-acre south-central Utah landmark surrounded by the Dixie National Forest and the vast Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, is the only Intermountain West property designated as an ecolodge by TIES--The International Ecotourism Society (www.ecotourism.org). At an elevation of almost 6700 feet, the lodge is minutes from Capitol Reef National Park.

A 13-acre bird sanctuary+pond on the property's northern boundary attracts birds & waterfowl year-round. A 3-acre pasture on property has been re-planted to provide additional sustenance for birds visiting the wetlands. Just north of the property, the Town of Boulder has begun construction of a new park and walking path.

Olympics venue Soldier Hollow becomes family recreation destination
During the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, Soldier Hollow hosted 8 Biathlon events, 12
Cross-country ski events, 3 Nordic combined events, 2 Paralympic Biathlon events and 13 Paralympic Cross-Country Events...38 events in all.

Athletes and officials proclaimed this one of the best-designed Nordic ski courses in the world because spectators rarely lost sight of competitors. The **31-kilometer track now hosts serious walkers and mountain bikers** in an area that is typically 15 degrees cooler than summer temperatures in Salt Lake City.

Now that the Olympics are history, this 600-acre corner of northern Utah's 23,000-acre Wasatch Mountain State Park embarks on an **ambitious plan to become a year-round consumer sport destination as well as Olympic training ground**.

New this summer: an Olympic biathlon experience for the casual visitor. The biathlon, essentially a combination of Nordic skiing and target shooting, evolves into either a run & shoot or mountain bike & shoot exercise. Coming soon...in-line skate & shoot!

You reserve in advance by calling 435.654.2002. You get a coaching session, safety training, a highly-accurate air rifle just like the ones used during the Paralympics, a competition-like atmosphere and awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in your group.

Also new this summer: Wednesday evening mountain bike races for every skill level and various distances. Bring your own bike & helmet. Children's Festivals are also being staged this summer.

Coming next winter: Soldier Hollow will host Nordic skiing, snowshoeing and tubing. The venue will be open every day from early December - late March, snow conditions permitting. A fully-equipped rental shop (thanks to Rossignol Ski Company) will rent cross-country skis, boots and poles. A separate 700-foot tubing hill will entertain children of all ages. Also under development over the next several years...a terrain park, a small halfpipe and, eventually, larger halfpipes.

Wasatch Mountain State Park, a Heber Valley landmark on the east side of the Wasatch Mountains, is Utah's most developed state park. Already home to one of Utah's best 36-hole golf courses, the park has a second 36-hole course under construction; completion is set for July 2004. The park is 20 minutes away from Park City and 50 minutes from downtown Salt Lake City.

THE GREATEST SNOW ON EARTH®

- Eight destination resorts (Snowbasin*, Deer Valley Resort*, Park City Mountain Resort*, The Canyons, Solitude, Snowbird, Alta, Sundance) are all about 1 hour or less from downtown Salt Lake City and are typically buried under 13 meters or more of light, dry snow every winter. In the summer, the hills are alive with hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, music festivals, "al fresco" dining, breathtaking Western sunsets and, of course, cool mountain climate. www.skiutah.com

 *OLYMPICS VENUE
- According to the Salt Lake Convention and Visitors Bureau, Salt Lake-area mountain resorts offer a combined total of 6,750 skiable acres served by 33 lifts...making up almost 50 percent more terrain than Aspen-Snowmass, almost 60 percent more than Vail and only 50 acres less than the Whistler-Blackcomb area! www.visitsaltlake.com Salt Lake City's nearby canyon resorts include...

- ALTA SKI AREA Legendary second oldest ski resort in the West...and one of the most scenic. Located in Little Cottonwood Canyon, Alta does not permit snowboarding. www.alta.com Don't miss scenic summer Sunday Brunch at Alta Lodge. www.altalodge.com
- **SNOWBIRD SKI & SUMMER RESORT** Located in Little Cottonwood Canyon, Snowbird's base village features abundant lodging and dining. The Snowbird Tram whisks skiers to Hidden Peak, at 11,000 feet, in just seven minutes. Need to relax? Make an appointment at Snowbird's Cliff Spa. Need music outdoors? **Utah Symphony Summer Concert Series**, **Jazz & Blues festival late July**. www.snowbird.com
- **BRIGHTON SKI RESORT** Located in Big Cottonwood Canyon, Brighton is local destination #1 for snowboarders...skiers welcome, too. www.skibrighton.com
- **SOLITUDE MOUNTAIN RESORT** Also located in Big Cottonwood Canyon, Solitude's Euro-village continues to expand with retail, equipment & rental shops + lodging & dining clustered tastefully in the base village. If you're into skinny skis or snowshoes, get out there on Solitude's Nordic trails in the Wasatch-Cache National Forest. Instead of restaurant dining, try The Yurt. www.skisolitude.com
- **SKI ALTA-BIRD!** New for the '02 season, Alta & Snowbird joined at the top to create 4,700 acres of skiable terrain. Snowbird's second Mineral Basin high-speed quad transports you to the saddle separating Alta's Albion Basin from Snowbird's Mineral Basin.

GREATEST RIDE ON EARTH www.utahathleticfoundation.org 435.658.4200 More medals were awarded at the Utah Olympic Park than at any other 2002 Olympic venue. The Park hosted ski jumping, bobsleigh, luge and skeleton competitions during the 2002 Winter Games. Now it becomes a training center for future U.S. & international athletes. The Park is 30 minutes from downtown Salt Lake City...10 minutes from Park City. Here's the tentative summer plan:

- Open-to-the-public bobsleigh rides start July, 2002
- Open-to-the-public freestyle ski jumping demonstrations in splash pool every Saturday

Also based at the Utah Olympic Park: the Alf Engen Ski Museum. It opened May, 2002. www.engenmuseum.org

SNOWBASIN – A Sun Valley Resort www.snowbasin.com During the Olympics, Snowbasin hosted Mens' & Womens' downhill, Super-G & Combined races plus Paralympic alpine events. Three stunning new lodges—all designed in a palacial European style--are now open. It's only a 1-hour drive to Snowbasin from Salt Lake City or Park City. Here's the summer plan:

- Dedicated horseback riding & mountain bike trails
- Paraglider rides

Near Snowbasin, *Ogden*, *Utah* (www.ogdencvb.org) features **four museums within the old Union Station**...a **funky 25th Street "old town"**...and the family-friendly **Eccles Dinosaur Park**. Old train enthusiasts head to the **Golden Spike National Historic Site** where the transcontinental railroad was completed in 1869. *The May 10 re-enactment of the joining of the rails is a must-go event for history buffs*. www.nps.gov/gosp

NEW WEBER PATHWAYS RAIL TRAIL opens in Ogden, Utah

- 233-acre 10-mile Rails-to-Trails project preserves wildlife habitat
- public recreational trail for equestrian, mountain biking & pedestrian use
- Contact: Geoff Ellis, Weber Pathways Executive Director, TEL: 801.393.2304
- www.weberpathways.org/pages/curprojects (site may be dated...text below is current)

Weber County Pathways is now the proud owner of an abandoned railroad! Built in 1971, the Little Mountain Branch Railroad was constructed by the Union Pacific to serve an industrial area on the shores of the Great Salt Lake at Little Mountain. After the Southern Pacific merger, the line became redundant and rail use was discontinued. The corridor was in danger of being lost to private speculation and subdivision before Weber Pathways purchased it to preserve it as a non-motorized trail.

Although flat and mostly treeless, the 10-mile corridor runs through a fascinating but little-known part of the county, with panoramic views of the entire Wasatch Range and abundant wildlife like ducks, geese, cranes and ibis. With only two highway crossings, the trail is very safe. It is best enjoyed during the cooler months, since summer = heat and mosquitoes! Because of the trail's length, it is best suited for equestrians and mountain bikers.

Directions to trailhead: from I-15 take the Ogden 12th Street exit west to 6700 West, then turn right. Proceed north over paved and unpaved sections of 6700 West to the trailhead at 2700 North.

SOLDIER HOLLOW at WASATCH MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

www.soldierhollow.org

- Details on pages 4 5
- Site of 2002 Olympic Winter Games Nordic ski competitions
- One of the largest snow-making systems in the world for a Nordic ski track
- Lodge built with "petrified" wood trestles from old railroad over Great Salt Lake
- Near Wasatch Mountain State Park's two 18-hole golf courses and close to the...
- Historic steam-engine train...the Heber Valley Railroad www.hebervalleyrr.org

OLD DESERET VILLAGE at THIS IS THE PLACE HERITAGE PARK

- Salt Lake City's own living history outpost resonates with the social and architectural history of Salt Lake from the arrival of the Mormon pioneers in 1847 to the joining of the transcontinental rails in 1869. Live presentations and guides in period costume May 25 - September 2, 2002. www.thisistheplace.org

RED BUTTE GARDENS & ARBORETUM www.redbuttegarden.org

- Part of the University of Utah, Red Butte Garden is one of the top botanical and ecological centers in the Intermountain West. The garden features walking paths, a natural area with hiking trails, educational and recreational programs plus an excellent summer concert series.

THANKSGIVING POINT www.thanksgivingpoint.com

- 20 minutes south of Salt Lake City 20 minutes north of Provo next to Interstate 15 in north-central Utah, Thanksgiving Point (including the adjacent dinosaur museum & golf course) adds a new dimension to the term "major attraction."
 - o largest dinosaur museum in the world
 - o largest botanical garden in North America
 - o largest golf club in Utah (7,728 yards long, 200 acres)

ATTENTION BIRD WATCHERS (and those who watch Bird Watchers!)

Although May was Migratory Bird & Wetlands month, your typical bird watcher is not constrained by the calendar. So, for those who pursue wing adventures year-round, here are several noteworthy items:

SALT LAKE CITY / Tracy Aviary

Educational exhibits feature nearly 350 species of birds that travel between breeding and wintering habitats each year. Contact: Holly Seitz, TEL 801.596.8500 or www.tracyaviary.org

BRIGHAM CITY / Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge

These wetlands at the mouth of the Bear River were designated as the first U.S. National Migratory Bird Refuge. TEL 435.723.5887 or www.northernutah.com/brefuge

MOAB / Matheson Wetland Preserve

A one-of-a-kind wetland and bird sanctuary on the edge of the Colorado River. Visitors should bring sunscreen, mosquito repellent, a hat, binoculars, a bird I.D. book and water. Contact The Nature Conservancy at TEL 435.259.4629 or www.netoasis.com/moab/matheson/

DUGWAY / Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge

On the historic Pony Express Trail, this high desert oasis features Great Basin birds and wetlands. Visitors should bring their own food...there are no concessionaires at the refuge. Drinking water is available. From Salt Lake City, call 801.522.5353. From outside Salt Lake City, call TEL 435.831.5353 or http://fishsprings.fws.gov/

VIEW NESTING BALD EAGLES / June 20 and 22

Two adult bald eagles and their three baby eaglets will be the center of attention June 20 and 22 during the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Watchable Wildlife field trips near the southeast shore of the Great Salt Lake.

The trips leave at 6 p.m. each evening from the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple in Salt Lake City. There is no cost to participate, but reservations are required. Call Bob Walters, Watchable Wildlife program coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Resources at TEL 801.538.4771.

Participants will follow Walters in their vehicles, traveling on mostly paved roads to the viewing site. He'll have at least two spotting scopes and some binoculars available, but participants who have their own are encouraged to bring them. "It'll be warm, so dress accordingly, and bring mosquito spray," he advises. Participants are free to leave the viewing site anytime during the evening.

Those who participate will be able to view the first nesting pair of bald eagles documented in northern Utah since 1928. Bald eagles have used the present nest site yearly since 1996. Two eaglets have been produced each year except in 1999, 2001 and this year, when three were successfully raised.

Walters says bald eagle pairs often nest at the same site each year and the adult eagles that will be viewed June 20 and 22 are probably the same pair nature enthusiasts have viewed at the site since 1996. This year the eagles are utilizing a manmade nest built as a replacement for their original nest snag, which was blown to the ground during a violent windstorm on June 13, 2001.

Walters says the eaglets should be learning to fly the third week in June, so there's a good chance those attending the mid-June field trips will watch as the eaglets make some of their first flights from their nest and back. The eaglets will be about 11- to 12-weeks-old by mid-June. They and their parents should remain at the nest site until mid-July, before leaving for other areas.

PARK CITY – OLYMPIC TOWN, PARTY TOWN, SKI TOWN

www.parkcityinfo.com (go to website for festival event dates)

- Three destination resorts & Utah Olympic Park
 - o Deer Valley Resort www.deervalley.com
 - o Park City Mountain Resort www.parkcitymountain.com
 - o The Canyons www.thecanyons.com

- Summer mountain biking & hiking programs at mountain resorts...

- o Dedicated trails
- o Bicycle rentals
- o Clinics, Training & Guided Tours

- Golf, tennis, hiking, horsebackriding

- Summer festivals

- o Park City Jazz Festival
- o Park City Arts Festival
- o Utah Symphony summer performances at Deer Valley's Snow Park Lodge
- o Bluegrass (traditional American music) Festival in Park City
- o Novell Senior PGA Golf Tournament (Uniting Fore Care Classic) www.unitingforecare.com

- Winter festivals

- Chevy Truck America's Opening marks the start of the ski racing circuit every November www.usskiteam.com
- o Sundance Film Festival, the premier independent filmmaker event every January www.sundance.org
- o Freestyle World Championships at Deer Valley (late Jan-early Feb '03)

DEER VALLEY NAMED #1 SKI RESORT IN N. AMERICA by SKI MAGAZINELocated just outside the "Old Town" area of Park City, Deer Valley is renown for luxury. www.deervalley.com

STEIN ERIKSEN LODGE RENOVATIONS COMPLETED at DEER VALLEY

\$40-million investment in conference center, elegant spa, outdoor deck, ski locker room & room renovations. Don't miss Sunday Brunch at the Glitretind Restaurant. www.steinlodge.com

ST. GEORGE, UTAH - "GOLF CENTRAL" www.utahsdixie.com

The golf courses in Utah's "Dixie" (southwestern Utah) are renown for challenging designs, well-maintained fairways and greens, and spectacular scenic features. Eleven courses are located within a 15-minute drive from each other.

With blue skies and little wind, winter daytime temperatures generally range from 55 - 65° F (12-18° C). Many local hotels offer golf packages and can confirm tee times weeks or months in advance.

St. George is also a spa destination:

- **Red Mountain, The Adventure Spa** (www.redmountainspa.com)
 - o Hiking & mountain biking in the backcountry of southern Utah
 - o Brand new luxury lodging under construction
 - o Excellent spa cuisine & cooking classes
- Green Valley Spa (www.greenvalleyspa.com)
 - o Extensive indoor & outdoor fitness & wellness programs
 - o Tennis academy

MOAB - "ADVENTURE CENTRAL" www.discovermoab.com

Surrounded by classic southern Utah red rock and canyon country and graced by two national parks, Moab is the "center of the universe" for mountain biking.

- Arches and Canyonlands National Parks www.nps.gov/arch, www.nps.gov/cany
- Colorado River float trips and white-water rafting adventures
- 4x4 adventures, horseback riding, hiking, backpacking
- "Moab to Monument Valley" destination for motion pictures & advertisements
- Moab Music Festival earns State of Utah's 2002 Governor's Award in the Arts
- Two new lodging properties:

o Red Cliffs Lodge www.redcliffslodge.com

- Brand new--opened April, 2002
- 16 miles from Moab on the Colorado River
- Rustic lodge with bar, restaurant, riverfront dining deck, conference center
- 40 lodging suites (series of connected cabins) with riverfront views & patios
- Outdoor swimming pool, hot tub / spa
- Moab Movie Museum opens Summer, 2002
- Castle Creek Winery produces red & white wines from local grapes
- Tennis, volleyball, hiking, horseback riding on / near property
- Reservation Center & shuttles for rafting & mountain biking adventures

o Sorrel River Ranch www.sorrelriver.com

- Luxury ranch resort 20 miles from Moab on the Colorado river
- 33 rustic timber and riverstone rooms & suites in several small lodges
- Outdoor swimming pool, hot tub, barbecue deck on the Colorado River
- Stunning views in John Wayne movie country
- Homebase for outdoor adventures mountain biking, horseback riding, golf, fitness center & aerobic studio, basketball & volleyball courts
- Conference Center

UTAH! UNIQUE IN ALL THE WORLD

A stunning collection of natural landscapes makes Utah unlike any other destination in the world:

5 National Parks www.nps.gov

Arches www.discovermoab.com
 Bryce Canyon www.brycecanyoncountry.com
 Canyonlands www.canyonlands-utah.com
 Capitol Reef www.capitolreef.org

■ Zion www.utahsdixie.com, www.zioncanyon.com

7 National Monuments www.nps.gov

Cedar Breaks www.scenicsouthernutah.comDinosaur www.dinoland.com

■ Grand Staircase-Escalante www.brycecanyoncountry.com

Hovenweep www.canyonlands-utah.com
 Natural Bridges www.canyonlands-utah.com
 Rainbow Bridge www.canyonlands-utah.com
 Timpanogos Cave www.utahvalley.org/cvb

2 National Recreation Areas www.recreation.gov

Glen Canyon (Lake Powell) www.visitlakepowell.com

■ Flaming Gorge www.dinoland.com

1 National Historic Site www.nps.gov/gosp

• Golden Spike (U.S. transcontinental railroad completed 1869)

PLUS...More than 40 State Parks http://parks.state.ut.us

UTAH! EVENTS

Whether you travel for sightseeing, adventure, history, festivals or simply for relaxation and rejuvenation, there's always something wonderful happening in Utah! **Go to www.utah.com for complete events listings**. Here's a small sample:

- **Festivals**: mountain bike, ski & snowboard, jazz & blues, classical music
- Utah Symphony summer outdoor concerts at Snowbird & Deer Valley
- Country pancake breakfasts & "Dutch Oven" (iron pot) cooking festivals
- Native American pow-wows, county fairs, cowboy rodeos, pioneer parades
- Salt Lake City: the Utah Arts Festival returns to a downtown location!
- Moab: Jeep Safari, Music Festival, Rod Benders vintage car event
- **Bluff**: Balloon Festival, January
- **Logan**: Festival of the American West, Utah Opera Festival, Cache Valley Cruise-in (a vintage car event), July & August
- Kanab: Western Legends Roundup Festival, August
- Cedar City: Utah Shakespearean Festival, June-October
- Car races on the **Bonneville Salt Flats** west of Salt Lake City

JUST FOR FUN...a "reel" but totally "tongue-in-cheek" event...Western Americana at its small-town best:

2002 Bicknell International Film Festival www.waynetheatre.com

Beach Blanket Bicknell July 26th and 27th, 2002 Go to bifftix@WayneTheatre.com to reserve your FastPass Official Schedule of Events The ONLY film festival in the world with its own parade and auction!

This years BIFF features 3 VERY rare prints, Beach Party, Sunshine Sea and Beach Blanket Bingo.

Though available on video or DVD, these films are one-of-a-kind, and we are pleased as punch to make them available for our loyal BIFFsters! Get off your chair, get in the car and come down to the 2002 Bicknell International Film Festival!

Friday July 26th:

7:00 P.M. **The Big Parade!** Theme: "Life's A Beach" Starts in Torrey, ends at The Wayne Theatre in Bicknell. Meet at The Chuckwagon in Torrey at

6:30 P.M. Bring your car - ALL are invited to participate!!

7:30 P.M. Opening Night Film: Beach Party (1963)

The first film in the now famous Beach series from American International Pictures. Beach Party centers on the antics of Frankie and Dolores, two clean-cut but surf-crazy teens. Frankie spirits Dolores away for a romantic rendezvous at the beach, only to receive a blow to his ego when he discovers she has invited along the rest of

the gang. Dolores becomes angry when she realizes Frankie had amorous ideas and sets out to make him jealous by flirting with Professor Robert Sutwell, an anthropologist who is studying the dating habits of surfing teenagers. (FastPass or \$6)

Party of the Stars with special musical guests after the movie at the Cafe Diablo in Torrey. (FastPass or \$6)

Saturday July 27th:

9 A.M. till Noon Live Auction in front of The Rabbit Valley Cantina in Bicknell. Bring your stuff to auction off! (free)

12 noon Teasdale Fire Department Mutton & 'Taters lunch at the Teasdale church. Teasdale is located 8 miles from Bicknell. (FastPass or \$6)

2:00 P.M. Seminar and Screening: "Sunshine Sea" Discussion following with cast and crew. (FastPass or \$6)

7:30 P.M. Presentation of "Wayne's Award!! Again this year we are not giving it to Wayne Newton!



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8:00 P.M. Closing Night Film: **Beach Blanket Bingo** (1965)

A marvelous cast (Paul Lynde! Don Rickles! Linda Evans!) is collected in what is possibly the most beloved of the 1960's Frankie Avalon/Annette Funicello beach movies. In this installment, Bonehead (Jody McCrea) falls in love with a mermaid, not-so-threatening biker Eric Von Zipper (Harvey Lembeck) terrorizes the beach, Frankie skydives, surfs, and sings some songs, and Annette sings and looks simply smashing in a two-piece. Throw in an appearance from silent screen legend Buster Keaton and a score by lounge music god Les Baxter, and you have a can't-miss time capsule from a simpler, possibly better, time.

Closing Night Party after the movie at the Rim Rock Inn and Restaurant in Torrey. Featuring more special musical guests.

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Charting New Routes:

Utah Scores with new Scenic Byway & All-American Road Designations

U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta has just added 23 new National Scenic Byways and 13 All-American Roads to the list of America's Byways at ceremonies held in June. "America's Byways are roads to the heart and soul of America," said Secretary Mineta. "Byways help create a sense of pride in America. They connect us to this country's beauty, history and culture."

Utah has earned three new designations:

- Dinosaur Diamond Scenic Byway Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway

- Logan Canyon Scenic Byway Logan Canyon Scenic Byway

- Utah Highway 12 All American Road Highway 12-A Journey Through Time Scenic Byway

The new roads complement three previously-named routes:

- The Energy Loop: Huntington and Eccles Canyons Scenic Byways
- Flaming Gorge-Uintas Scenic Byway
- Nebo Loop Scenic Byway

For additional information, go to www.byways.org. The site contains extensive profiles on every Scenic Byway and All-American Road in the U.S. Each site includes excellent maps.

Under the National Scenic Byways Program, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation recognizes certain roads as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads based on their archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational and scenic qualities. To be designated as a **National Scenic Byway**, a road must possess at least one of these six intrinsic qualities and be regionally significant. These roads are often the "roads less traveled."

To receive an **All-American Road** designation, a road must possess multiple intrinsic qualities that are nationally significant and have one-of-a-kind features that do not exist elsewhere. The road or highway must also be considered a "destination unto itself" – it must provide an exceptional traveling experience so recognized by travelers that they would make a drive along the highway a primary reason for their trip.

The National Scenic Byways Program, established by Congress in 1991 and administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), was created to preserve and protect the nation's scenic byways and, at the same time, promote tourism and economic development. Participation in the program is voluntary and emphasizes local involvement.

Utah is one of only three states in the U.S. with six federally-designated routes under the Byways or All-American Road designations. With these new designations, there are now 75 National Scenic Byways and 20 All-American Roads in 39 states, including 9 with portions in more than one state.

Dinosaur Diamond Scenic Byway

In northeastern Utah, the Dinosaur Diamond encompasses areas known locally as Castle Country (homebase is Price, Utah) and Dinosaurland. The primary routes are US 191 and US 40. Primary towns are Helper, Duchesne, Roosevelt, Vernal (all in Utah) and Dinosaur, Colorado

In southeastern Utah, the byway covers parts of Castle Country and the area known locally as Canyonlands (homebase is Moab, Utah). The primary routes are US 191 and I-70. Primary towns are Price, Green River and Moab (all in Utah) and Grand Junction, Colorado.

This route provides a unique opportunity to experience the story of dinosaurs and the science behind them. On- and off-route, one can see dinosaur bones still in the ground, dinosaur bones being prepared by paleontologists and museums displaying the reconstructed skeletons and fleshed-out recreations of those same dinosaurs. In Utah, primary stops include the Cleveland-Lloyd quarry in Emery County, Nine-Mile Canyon in Carbon County and Dinosaur National Monument in Uintah County, not to mention countless other scenic, recreational and cultural destinations. For more information, go to "Utah's Best Destinations" section on the home page of www.utah.com.

In between and sometimes overlapping the dinosaur sites are areas of major archeological interest. This two-state byway on the northern edge of the Colorado Plateau lies in the same country that was occupied by prehistoric Native Americans who saw the many rock cliffs of the area as ideal surfaces for their petroglyphs and pictographs. Some of the finest examples and densest concentrations of this art in North America are located along the byway corridor.

More than dinosaur bones

Along the byway there are many opportunities to take a breather from the abundance of dinosaur sites. Hiking, camping, mountain biking, fishing are possible on the thousands of acres of public lands in the corridor. River rafting and kayaking for all levels can be arranged on the Green and the Colorado Rivers. Horse-back riding, llama-assisted pack trips and even mule and goat pack trips can also be arranged with local adventure companies.

Quick Facts for the Dinosaur Diamond Scenic Byway

Length

512 miles

Time to Allow

10 hours to 10 days

Nearby Byways

Upper Colorado River Scenic Byway (U-128) follows a portion of this byway from just outside of Cisco to just north of Moab on U-128.

Indian Canyon Scenic Byway follows a portion of this byway, running from Helper to Duchesne on US-191. Flaming Gorge-Uintas Scenic Byway is north of this byway on US-191 beginning in Vernal. Dead Horse Point Mesa Scenic Byway is located west of this byway on U-313 near Arches National Park.

Nine Mile Canyon Backway is south of Myron, UT and the byway.

Byway Travel Information

www.castlecountry.com www.dinoland.com www.discovermoab.com

Byway Local Websites

Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway

Highway 12 / A Journey Through Time

All-American Road

Highway 12, a showcase of dramatic, naturally-sculpted sandstone, winds its way through some of the most stunning geography in the United States--Bryce Canyon National Park, the Grand-Staircase Escalante National Monument, Capitol Reef National Park and thousands of acres of the Dixie National Forest. Although this route has been chronicled for years by the travel and automobile-enthusiast press, it continues to defy description and must be seen first-hand.

Culture for the Curious

On- and off-the-Byway towns—Panguitch, Bryce, Tropic, Cannonville, Henrieville, Escalante, Boulder, Grover and Torrey--offer a glimpse of the simple life in the middle of a seemingly remote wilderness. Historic stops and pullouts provide stories for the curious byway traveler. Ancient ruins and rock art lurk in canyons and rock faces along the route. And several outstanding Utah State Parks offer still more reasons to slow the pace of your cross-country tour: Kodachrome Basin State Park, Escalante State Park, Anasazi Village State Park, to name three. Go to http://parks.state.ut.us for details.

Irresistible Recreation

At nearly every turn there is an opportunity to get out of your car and stretch. This entire region, known in Utah as Bryce Canyon Country and Capitol Reef Country, is marked by canyon and forest trails suitable for hiking, horseback riding, ATV's plus muscle- and motor-powered transport in the winter.

Quick Facts for Highway 12 - A Journey Through Time Scenic Byway

Length

122 miles

Time to Allow

At least a day due to steep grades, switchbacks and scenic stops. Two to three days strongly recommended to even *start* to enjoy this byway!

Nearby Byways

Capitol Reef Country Scenic Byway intersects with this byway in Torrey at a t-stop, going east and west. Mt. Carmel Scenic Byway meets this byway at the Hwy 12/US 89 junction south of Panguitch and proceeds south.

Byway Travel & Tourism Websites

www.brycecanyoncountry.com www.capitolreef.org

Logan Canyon Scenic Byway

National Scenic Byway

Once immersed in Logan Canyon, you find yourself surrounded by the dominant geographic features of the region: the Wasatch-Cache National Forest mountains along the eastern flank of Logan, Utah and, later, the brilliant turquoise water of Bear Lake. The primary route is US 89 from Logan at the southwest end to Bear Lake and Garden City, Utah at the northeast end.

A Canyon Culture

The patterns of the canyon are intertwined with the patterns of a culture. Many years ago, this land was home to Native Americans. In the early 19th century, trappers and pioneers entered the region. Today, the canyon is recognized as one of the gems of northeastern Utah. In the summer, campgrounds along the Logan River fill up early. In the winter, snow-covered mountains lure locals and visitors alike for a day of Nordic or alpine skiing, snowshoeing and, in select areas, snowmobiling.

Quick Facts for the Logan Canyon National Scenic Byway

Length

41 miles

Time to Allow

At least an hour in the summer, depending on traffic.

Nearby Byways

Oregon Trail-Bear Lake Scenic Byway meets this byway at the Utah-Idaho border, continuing north into Idaho. Bear Lake Scenic Byway shares corners with Logan Canyon Scenic Byway in Garden City, going south while Logan Canyon Byway goes north and west.

Byway Travel Information

www.tourcachevalley.com

Logan Ranger District of the U.S. Forest Service TEL 801.755.3620

Special Considerations

Logan Canyon Scenic Byway is a two-lane highway. There are more passing zones on the upgrade than the downgrade, but travelers should not rush through this canyon! Winter weather can be severe in Logan Canyon, so the Highway Patrol may require that your vehicle carry chains from November through March if weather conditions turn bad. Since this is the main thoroughfare to and from Bear Lake area communities, Beaver Mountain Ski Resort and Logan, the Utah Department of Transportation works hard to keep the road open in winter.